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1. LU Chao-te (盧照德) was chosen to represent the people of Chungshan (113-36, 22-22) at the time of the takeover of that city.
2. HUANG I-po (黃夢博), a resident of Chungshan, first went to Macao, where he persuaded the Mechanics Union to hold a demonstration in favor of the Communists, and then to Canton to pay his respects to the Communist authorities there.
3. By 20 October the Shen Ch'uan (114-08, 22-32) railroad workers were completely registered with the new authorities and were back to work. The following men were kept on to serve in the administration.
 - a. TS'AI Jung-chih (蔡榮之), station master.
 - b. LU Cheng-chih (盧成治), chief of mechanics.
 - c. SHEN Wei (沈偉), chief of construction.
 - d. MAI Hsieh (麥欽), leader of the railway workers union.

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6. CH'EN Ming (陳明), who under the Nationalists was chief of the records office of the Bureau of Public Safety of Canton, has been appointed to supervise the Canton census for the Communist authorities. All Canton police have been

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disarmed and retained by the Bureau. Much of the time of the staff Bureau is taken up with the learning of songs and with lectures.

7. The principal judges of the Provincial and lower courts in Canton fled at the time of the takeover of Canton. They were replaced by appointees of the Canton Military Control Commission. At least two of these judges are women about 25 years of age. The employees of the courts were for the most part retained. These people also spend much of their time learning songs.

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